



## Newsletter: March 2023 Edition

**Did you know?** March 30, 2023 is **National Doctor's Day!** Thank you to our Physicians for their dedication and service.

### Greetings from our Executive Director

As we enter into the season of Spring, I would like to take this opportunity to review our focus areas for 2023 and ask that you establish a plan to achieve success in these areas. CSMS-IPA is a diverse network across the state and every practice needs to be doing its part to collectively succeed. The CareScreen® population health tool or payer specific tools provide data to inform and guide you. We look forward to a successful year.

### 2023 Priority Goals for Medicare Advantage and Commercial Collaborations:

- Annual care visit scheduling and emphasis on those patients who did not have preventative visit in 2022
- Improve on Medication Adherence
- Effective management of Chronic/high risk patients
- Increase and code Transitional Care Management (TCM) visits on discharge from facility
- Improve accurate and complete coding of all disease states
- Improve Gap in Care closure, emphasis on Diabetes and colorectal
- Implement initiatives to Increase Social Determinate Health Screenings and address identified issues

Happy Spring!

Regards,

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### AWV Coding Corner

We are entering the second quarter of 2023 and reminding offices to get Medicare Advantage patients scheduled for their Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) or add the AWV on to a CPE or E&M Visit (99202–99205 and 99211–99215) with modifier –25. Each office's priority should be patients who did not have an AWV in 2022.

- **G0402:** This code applies to a one time Welcome to Medicare visit
- **G0438:** After 12 months of being enrolled in Medicare, a patient becomes eligible for their initial Annual Wellness Visit
- **G0439:** This code is for all Annual Wellness Visits following the initial one.
- FQHC's may have other codes that apply, please check with health plans

### Colon Cancer Awareness Month

Per AMA guideline patients 45-75 years of age are encouraged to get routine colorectal screenings. Please discuss with your patients the best method of testing, whether it be a diagnostic colonoscopy or at home FIT kit.

The below labs will supply your office with home kits that you can give to your patients who choose this option:

Labcorp: FIT test, **888-LABCORP (888-522-2677)** or [labcorp.com/cancer/colorectal/providers](https://www.labcorp.com/cancer/colorectal/providers)

Quest Diagnostics: InSure ONE™ kit, **866-MY-QUEST**

### Patient Alignment

Your patient panel is very important, when reviewing any patient data the below are a few ways on how to keep your patient panel aligned:

- Review patient membership report
- Update payer partners with any changes (i.e expired, discharged or transferred)
- Encourage patients to update their pcp status directly with health plan
- Reach out to new patients that are assigned to your practice, get them scheduled for new patient visit

Please note, CSMS-IPA resources are always available to help guide your office.

### CSMS-IPA News

We are pleased to announce that Susan Loiacano has rejoined the staff as our Network Development and Education Manager here at the IPA. She is excited to work with all offices and help them navigate today's healthcare demands.